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PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARY.

To the Board of Public Schools.

GENTLEMEN, — The records for the current year give evidence of a progress which becomes striking, if the comparison be carried through the various years of the Library's history.

In previous reports, attention was called to the efforts then engaging the attention of the Board of Managers, and to the progress made in the several directions of library labor.

To further add to the facilities of those using the Library, the Board of Managers approved the issue of bulletins, by means of which the readers are advised of the additions to the Library, not only by title and class, but also by a brief description of their contents. The beneficial effect of the circulation of this bulletin has already conspicuously shown itself in an increase in the percentage of books of a higher order being drawn from the Library, and an equal falling off in that of fiction and light reading. It is now believed that, with our various catalogues, in connection with the bulletins, every facility for access to the Library has been furnished, and that it only remains for succeeding Boards to see that these various facilities remain unimpaired.

The Library still maintains the office marked out for it by its founders — the provision of facilities for those who had grown up in the public schools — and the Board of Managers is at present attempting to devise measures for a more immediate usefulness to the pupils who are still in

the schools. But it must not be forgotten that by legislative enactment in 1874 the Library was made a general public library and reading-room for free reference use, and that this added materially to the difficulties of a wise administration. By this extension of the office of the Library our funds were required to stretch much farther, and at the same time we were required to carry on, side by side, interests which were not always in accord. Hence the Board of Managers has been compelled to consider the matter of revenue, as it found itself embarrassed by a marked increase in the expense arising from the free use of the Library.

It is to be hoped that the independent office of actuary, created some years since to meet a particular emergency, which should have been provided for in another way, will be understood in its true bearings upon the prosperity of the Library, and such action taken as will place upon the librarian the entire responsibility of executing the orders of the Board of Managers.

The measures for the better administration of the revenue, so far adopted, have been, —

1. The increase of those who prefer annual subscriptions, at a reduced price (\$3 per annum), to life-membership. These, for the purposes of revenue, are productive members.

2. The increase of the price of life-membership from \$12 to \$25. The effect of this is to decrease the number of those who pass into the non-paying class.

3. The attempt to interest in the welfare of the Library those who can aid it by donations or endowments.

4. The better systematizing of the Library work, so that more work can be done by a smaller force, and at less expense.

The income commanded by the Library, and the results attained, are so striking an evidence of the fidelity of the various Boards of Managers which have had charge of the

Library since its foundation, that it is to be regretted that the comparative statistics presented by the officers of the Library are not more generally made familiar. The revenue derived from the School Board for 1879 was \$3,387.66, for the appropriation received from the Henry Ames fund is fairly to be considered as part of the Library's income.

School Board	\$3,387.66
Henry Ames fund	4,500.00
Other sources	3,582.24
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Total	\$11,469.90

The salaries paid the librarian and his assistants are inadequate, and with a larger revenue it would be possible to accomplish much more for relatively less cost. That the librarian and his assistants (especially those whose salaries are most inadequate) have cheerfully submitted to the necessities of the Library is a fact deserving special mention and record. But the Board of Managers does not desire, and no Board of Managers has ever desired, to treat its employees unfairly, and while exacting severe and conscientious labor, to ignore the deserts of those performing it.

That much has been accomplished for the Library is evident from the order and system which now prevail, and from the return of many members of the Library who had ceased to use it. So far as we can learn, there is now small room for complaint upon the part of members of the Library, for the Board of Managers furnish every facility which their means allow for the accommodation of its patrons. To insure the continued efficiency and prosperity of the Library, it must command the hearty and united attention and unselfish care of the Board of Managers, their sole desire being to widen its influence and maintain for it the cheerful support and patronage of the public.

Respectfully,

JAMES RICHARDSON,
President.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Managers St. Louis Public School Library.

I have the honor to present herewith my third annual report, showing the prosperity and increasing usefulness of the institution under your charge, and giving a detailed statement of its work during the year 1879.

The School Board appropriation being \$1,600 below the usual amount, the additions to our collection are much less numerous than those of the two preceding years, though still above the average of the years from 1870 to 1876. In the following tables will be found a full exhibit of the—

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY DURING 1879.

<i>By Classes.</i>	<i>Regular Library.</i>	<i>Coll'n of Dup's.</i>	<i>Coll'n of Duplicate Mag.</i>
Philosophy	16	4	.....
Theology	30	.....	.....
Social and Political Sciences	433	.....	.....
Natural Sciences and Useful Arts	235	1	11
Art and Poetry	99	1	.....
Prose Fiction	403	198	.....
Juveniles	110	21	12
Literary Miscellany	163	7	.....
History	272	7	.....
Cylopædias and Magazines	292	.....	252
	2,053	239	275
	514	275	.....
Total	2,567	514	.....

<i>By Languages.</i>	<i>Regular Library.</i>	<i>Coll'n of Dup's.</i>
English	1,853	514
German	163	.....
French	27	.....
Latin	1	.....
Greek	3	.....
Italian	6	.....
Total	2,053	514

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY DURING 1879. — *Continued.*

<i>Source.</i>	<i>Regular Library.</i>	<i>Collection of Duplicates.</i>	
		<i>Books.</i>	<i>Mag.</i>
Purchase	1,121	262	209
Donation	595	.....	43
Periodicals, bound	289	.....	.....
Pamphlets, bound	14
Transfer from Collection of Duplicates	34
Total	2,053	262	252
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Regular Library, accession-numbers 42,060 to 44,112			2,053
Collection of Duplicates, accession-numbers 4,121 to 4,634			514
Total additions			2,567

From the first table it will be seen that, of the 2,053 volumes added to the regular library, only 433 — twenty per cent. — are fiction. If juveniles be added, the two together constitute only twenty-five per cent. of the whole, and it must be remembered that they cost less than any other class of books. It is plain, therefore, that the library is accumulating the “literature of instruction” rather than of “entertainment,” that it is growing in an educational direction; and, taken in connection with the small percentage of fiction read, no one can doubt its educational influence in the community, even if he should hold that fiction is not in any degree instructive — a position hard to maintain. Having the full appropriation, the coming year will be marked by a much larger growth.

DONATIONS.

An extensive list of donations, comprising 624 volumes and 916 pamphlets, will be found in the Appendix. The most noteworthy donation of the past year is a choice collection of specimens and the handsome cabinet in which they are exhibited, the gift of the late Mrs. Stephen Ridgley. A further addition to our museum was made by Mr. Stephen Jecko, consisting of a collection of hunting and war implements and dress ornaments of the Sioux Indians, and some

weapons in use during the last century in New Mexico. Mr. F. E. Roesler also presented Indian bows and arrows, and accompaniments. Reference to the list above alluded to will show that the library has not been forgotten by Mayor Overstolz, Messrs. Harris and Morgan, and other constant friends. Mr. John K. Tiffany, author of "The Philatelic Library," has kindly undertaken to arrange the collection of stamps which the library has been accumulating for some years. Mr. James S. Stevenson has donated the price of a year's subscription to the *Princeton Review*, to be placed in the collection of duplicates, in order that other members, in common with himself, may have the opportunity to read it.

The library might be enriched by the addition of many books and periodicals which it cannot afford to purchase, if those specially interested in the topics treated would unite in placing them where they would be accessible to all. If, for example, a number of persons interested in art would contribute to a fund for supplying periodicals and works on that subject, each could have the benefit of all the contributions; and, in time, a department would be built up which would be a constant gratification to its founders and others, would advance art education, and, once well established, would obtain for itself further support from the munificence of the few or the coöperation of the many.

Thus far, aid has come to the library, for the most part, in small amounts, from persons of moderate means. I trust that before long our wealthy citizens will realize the importance of an amply endowed library as the best means of securing that general enlightenment which is the surest conservator of social order. The books of the Public School Library are distributed in about proper proportions through the various classes, but in none is there any approximation to completeness. The interest from a small endowment-fund would, in a few years, build up a special

department which would be a source of pride and profit to the community, as well as a lasting memorial to the donor.

Previous to last year, the library had been closed each year from a week to a month for the purpose of taking stock, and a large extra force had been hired at considerable expense. Last year it was taken without closing, but with an expense of \$300. This year an inventory much more accurate than any preceding was secured by the regular force, without any interruption of the circulation. The result is as follows:—

REGULAR LIBRARY.		<i>Vols.</i>
Lost and paid for		36
Worn out and withdrawn		196
Charged to borrowers		38
Not accounted for		170
Total		440
COLLECTION OF DUPLICATES.		<i>Vols.</i>
Lost and paid for		6
Sold		2
Withdrawn		20
Charged and not returned		2
Not accounted for		58
Total		88
		440
Total number of volumes missing		528

Of these, 300 are accounted for and 228 not accounted for. In taking this inventory, 301 volumes were found which had been reported last year as missing and unaccounted for, a number greater than the whole of those so reported this year. Last year, 642 volumes were found which had been reported missing the previous year, at which time 1,277 volumes turned up which had not been found at the inventory preceding. The figures show the advance that has been made in accuracy. Thirteen errors in the inventory catalogue were discovered and corrected.

Based on this inventory, the following figures show the

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY, DECEMBER 31, 1879.

Regular library	38,263
Collection of duplicates	1,556
Books in Academy of Science collection	3,178
Duplicates not in circulation	1,037
Total number of volumes	44,034
Unbound pamphlets, Public School Library	848
“ “ Academy of Science	6,927
Total number of pamphlets	7,775

CIRCULATION.

After last year's remarkable growth in the circulation, there would be no cause for complaint if the figures had remained the same this year. The total, however, exhibits a fair increase, which would doubtless have been much greater had not the fund been too small to furnish an adequate supply of new books. The chief source of increase is in the reading-room issue, amounting to 19.6 per cent. This is due partly to the removal of reading-tables from the Ames Hall, and partly to the superior order and attractiveness of the reading-room under the present attendant. A detailed statement regarding the work of the issue department will be found in the annexed tables : —

ISSUE BY MONTHS.

Months.	Home Use.	Library Issue.
January	8,763	6,480
February	9,598	5,540
March	11,608	4,550
April	*12,144	4,299
May	8,207	2,927
June	7,711	2,626
July	7,742	2,672
August	5,593	2,996
September	7,541	3,177
October	7,425	3,476
November	8,158	4,057
December	8,827	3,723
Totals	103,317	46,523

* The issue of April appears larger than it really was, owing to a change in the mode of counting, by which a part of the next month's issue was included.

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

<i>Classes.</i>	<i>Home Use. Regular Library.</i>	<i>Home Use. Coll'n of Duplicates.</i>	<i>Total, Home Use.</i>	<i>Percentage.</i>	<i>Use in the Library.</i>	<i>Percentage.</i>	<i>Total of Book Issues.</i>	<i>Total Book Percent- age.</i>
Philosophy	652	29	681	.6	539	1.1	1,220	.8
Theology	607	4	611	.5	772	1.8	1,383	.9
Social Sciences	1,150	40	1,190	1.5	2,579	5.6	3,769	2.5
Natural Sciences	3,420	159	3,579	3.4	6,264	13.5	9,843	6.5
Art and Poetry	3,605	20	3,625	3.5	3,644	7.2	7,269	5
Prose Fiction	53,146	7,008	60,154	58.2	13,260	28.5	73,414	48.9
Juveniles	17,005	248	17,253	16.6	6,331	14.2	23,584	15.7
Literary Miscellany	4,302	235	4,537	4.5	3,385	6.	7,922	5.3
History	8,882	300	9,182	8.8	5,692	13.3	14,874	9.9
Magazines	1,437	1,068	2,505	2.4	4,057	8.8	6,562	4.5
Totals	94,206	9,111	103,317	100	46,523	100	149,840	100

CLASSIFIED READING-ROOM ISSUE.

<i>Classes.</i>	<i>Issues.</i>	<i>Per Cent.</i>
Philosophy	66	.1
Theology	223	.4
Social Sciences	904	1.7
Natural Sciences	6,665	12
Art	23,066	41.5
Fiction	3,511	6.4
Juveniles	1,364	2.4
Literary Miscellany	16,155	29.2
History	2,189	4
Miscellaneous	1,305	2.3
	55,448	100

SUMMARY.

Home issue, regular library	94,206
Home issue, collection of duplicates	9,111
Library use	46,523
Reading-room issue	55,448
Total issue in all departments	205,288
Total issue in all departments in 1878	198,615
Gain in 1879	6,673
Largest issue (week-day), Saturday, February 22d	{ 685 Home issue. 237 Library issue. 208 Reading-room issue.
Total issue	1,130
Smallest issue (week-day), Tuesday, October 2d	{ 148 Home issue. 101 Library issue. 62 Reading-room issue.
Total issue	311

Largest Sunday issue, March 2d	{	240 Home issue.
		204 Library issue.
		218 Reading-room issue.
Total issue		662
Smallest Sunday issue, June 22d	{	87 Home issue.
		63 Library issue.
		122 Reading-room issue.
Total issue		272

During the past year, the library has been open twelve hours a day for three hundred and sixty days.

AVERAGE DAILY ISSUE.

Home issue	286.9
Library issue	129.2
Reading-room issue	154.2
Average daily issue, all departments	570.3
Sunday issue { Home issue	6,308
	Average 121.3
	Library issue 5,582
	" 107.3
	Reading-room issue 9,131
	" 175.6
Total Sunday issue	21,021
	Total average 404.2

MEMBERSHIP.

The total membership during the year 1879 appears as follows : —

Perpetual memberships	45
Life-members	3,598
Temporary pay-members	1,381
Free evening-school members	1,409
Total	6,433

Memberships in force —

	Dec. 31, 1878.	Dec. 31, 1879.
Perpetual	45	45
Life	3,328	3,598
Temporary	681	589
Free evening-school	613	1,069
Total	4,667	5,301
		4,667
Gain in 1879.		634
Number of new members		464

Of life-memberships there were issued during the year,

To School Directors	6
On donation account	3
Free evening-school memberships	107
Evening-school memberships, part pay	26
Pay members	128
Total	270

The wisdom of the action of the Board in stopping the issue of free life-memberships to evening-school pupils is made manifest by the above table, from which it appears that 133 life-members, nearly half the list, entered by means of evening-school certificates. That the change in price of life-membership from \$12 to \$25 was also a judicious measure is shown by the fact that the receipts for membership are only \$62 less than those of last year, when each dollar-certificate was good for its face-value in payment of life-membership. Since the change, two persons have made partial payments on life-memberships at the new rate, and one has been taken for cash.

PROGRESS AND IMPROVEMENT.

Burdened by a legacy of back work, the remnants of which are still to be seen, and with a rapidly increasing circulation, the past three years can nevertheless show a gratifying record of well-marked progress and permanent improvement. This could be accomplished only by better methods and more advantageous arrangements, by the introduction of system, punctuality, and conscientious and untiring industry. The removal and enlargement of the issue-desk and its connection with that of the reading-room, and the rearrangement of the books, has been nearly equivalent to an additional assistant. The record-books, under the charge of Mr. Spamer, receive the proper daily entries, with weekly and monthly footings. All statistics regarding the work of the library are reliable and at all times readily obtainable. Notices of books overdue are regularly sent by Miss Campbell, who also revises the error-book, in which is recorded all mistakes in charging. Under a system like ours, which involves no coöperation from members, mistakes are almost inevitable in the hurry of receiving and charging from 500 to 1,000 books a day. Our endeavor is to reduce them to a minimum and to adopt measures for their discovery and correction. Out of nearly

9,000 books returned in December, only 45 errors appeared. If members could be induced to carry a card on which books could be charged, the process of issue and return would be much more rapid and accurate; and at the same time each would know the state of his account with the Library, and could see that no wrong entry had been made.

Fines are collected promptly and impartially, with the inevitable result of insuring a more punctual return of books, and the subsidiary benefit of an increase in revenue over former years of from \$300 to \$600 per annum. The total income from this source during the past year amounts to \$917.57 (nearly the salary of the first assistant), which was paid with much less dissatisfaction than the smaller sums of former years, because it was plainly a purely business transaction, and each had reason to believe that all were treated alike.

During the past year, periodicals have been sent to the binder's as soon as completed, and the greater part of those which had accumulated in former years, running back to 1872, have been bound; of these, there still remain about 150 volumes.

The whole arrearage could not be cleared off, because the current demands were so great. There has been no more serious detriment to the library than the behindhand condition of its binding. If nothing unforeseen occurs, the coming year will see the binding up to date, and the work of keeping it so will be comparatively easy.

A complete list of all bound periodicals has been prepared, showing the number of copies of each volume in possession of the Library, and what volumes and years are missing. The whole is bound in two quarto volumes. Considerable time was spent in its preparation, which it will amply repay by the facility with which data frequently wanted can be obtained. A list has also been made of publications of governments — national, state, and municipal — colleges, societies, etc., which appear at stated periods, so

that they may be sent for at the proper time, and sets thus kept complete.

A system of exchanges has been inaugurated, which has resulted in valuable additions to the Library, at scarcely any outlay of money, though not without some expenditure of time and thought. Regular entries are made of everything received and sent in exchange.

The donations of the last two years have been more numerous than for a number of years previous, and have constituted no inconsiderable portion of the additions to our collection. Last year they amounted to 1,318 volumes and 805 pamphlets, and this year to 624 volumes and 916 pamphlets. They have all been properly recorded and acknowledgments sent by Mr. Roesler, who has had charge of donations and exchanges.

While giving close attention to every detail of administration, with results apparent on the most casual examination and comparison, I have not failed to keep an outlook toward the broader fields of library work. The Public School Library has entered upon a new epoch of its history by taking part in the great coöperative movement among libraries, which is to develop and make manifest their influence as educational factors of the highest importance. Sympathy with this movement has been shown by membership in the American Library Association, and subscriptions to publications under its auspices, in contributions to Poole's Index, in the attendance of the librarian at the Boston conference, and, as a result of the other actions, in the publication of an annotated bulletin. This last is the most important step taken for some years, and cannot but result in the greatest benefit, in directing attention to the better classes of books, and enabling readers to select those which are likely to interest them. Thus far four numbers have appeared, containing additions of 1879, from January to August inclusive.

With an increase of not less than forty per cent. in the

work done, the salary-account remains \$400 less than in 1875-6, and more than \$1,300 less than in 1874-5. For the \$200 increase over last year's total, there has been saved the \$300 paid at that time for taking the inventory, and other work accomplished, worth at least \$100 more, which could not have been done had not the necessary additions been temporarily made to the force. An inadequate force may reduce the salary expense, but at the same time result in a net loss of considerable amount. The number of assistants is now one less than at the beginning of last year. Whether, with their added experience, this deficiency can be made up, routine work kept up to date, and contemplated advances in administration made, depends upon several contingencies not now easily foreseen. The present corps of assistants, having all been in the service more than a year, have a thorough knowledge of their duties; and, on the whole, show a commendable spirit, which, I trust, will meet with substantial appreciation.

NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

I am compelled to call attention again to the desirability of painting the walls of the reading-room, which were left in an unfinished state two years ago; also, to the urgent demand for additional shelving.

REMARKS.

I take this opportunity to say a few words on the subject of library rules. No one need be told that they are made solely in the interest of the whole body of members; and whenever their enforcement works to the disadvantage of an individual, it is because he has assumed, or wishes to assume, some privilege which would potentially abridge the rights of the other members. A third renewal, for example, would occasionally be an accommodation to the individual; but it might, at the same time, keep twenty others waiting that much longer for the same book. Any irritation excited

by the inconvenience suffered by a member in a single instance would be lessened by the reflection that the same rule operates to secure his rights in hundreds of others, and that its enforcement against him in the one case is the best assurance of its being carried out in his favor in numerous others.

The growth of intelligence and refinement in a community does not admit of the same definite measurement as the increase of its wealth. But evidences of the former, though perhaps not so apparent, are not lacking. To the public-school system, more than any other agency, can be attributed this gratifying development in St. Louis; and of that system a most important adjunct is the Public School Library, supplementing, as it does, the school course, and carrying on the work of education after school-days are ended. The poor child who is compelled to leave school at an early age can here obtain, for a nominal sum, the means of continuing his education. He can find books adapted to his understanding, and calculated to develop his mind. He can procure practical aid in his special calling, such as Lukin's "Boy Engineers," "The Young Mechanic," "Amongst Machines," and Thurston's "Growth of the Steam-Engine," — books, like the "Arabian Nights," to charm and cultivate the imagination; and others, such as Hughes's "Tom Brown" and Farrar's "Eric," to instil sentiments of manliness and morality. In the hope that this will meet the eyes of many of our teachers, I am tempted to quote, in this connection, from a paper I read some months ago before the St. Louis Society of Pedagogy: —

"It is in connection with the schools that the public library can best fulfil its functions as an important factor in the problem of popular education. It cannot, indeed, realize its highest destiny in any other way. Just as the grammar schools prepare for the high, and the high school for college, so all schools, in every grade, should prepare pupils for what has been aptly termed the "people's col-

lege.” Entrance to this can be had at any age ; it has courses adapted to all ages and conditions ; its studies are all elective, and may be pursued indefinitely and without end. But some preparation beyond mere facility in reading is needed, in order that the full benefits of such a course may be derived. The great advantages it offers are, that entrance to it is easy, that it has no limits, and that it may be pursued without interference with bread-winning avocations. Since the compulsion of poverty and the desire to enter active life cause so many to take an early leave of school, that system of education is certainly defective which does not prepare them for entering, and encourage them to enter — make them, indeed, eager to enter — a supplementary course which they may continue, with constantly increasing profit and zest, through life.

“ It is a trite saying that the young man graduating from college has just begun his education — has merely learned how to educate himself. The same cannot fail to be true, in a stricter sense, of the boy who leaves school at the age of ten or twelve. Education, I know, is not altogether derived from books ; but to the poor child who is forced thus early to enter a life of toil, the greater part of that education which develops the higher nature, which elevates and humanizes, must come from books, or not at all. It can come to this class from no other source. Without meaning to underrate the value of a regular school curriculum, I agree fully with the *Springfield Republican* in its opinion that ‘ the liking for a good book is of vastly more consequence to youth and manhood than a knowledge of the equation of payments, or adverbial elements of the third form.’ ”

But the library, while accomplishing no better work than that spoken of above, does fulfil various other missions. It enables many a man with no home resources to derive pleasure and profit from leisure hours which might otherwise conduce to his own moral deterioration and a consequent

injury to the community. It also tends to develop and encourage intellectual activity among the more favored classes. A number of clubs, formed for the pursuit of particular lines of study, look to the library to furnish the books which they could not procure elsewhere, and without which their work could not be successfully prosecuted.

It is the constant resort of special students and practical investigators; and it is the wants of these, chiefly, that it is unable to meet. At our present rate of symmetrical growth, the fulness of time will supply this deficiency; but I believe that in the more important departments it will come sooner through the liberality of men who realize that material prosperity alone does not constitute a State, and that high-minded men can be produced only by affording every facility for the widest diffusion of knowledge and the highest development of man's intellectual powers.

Respectfully submitted.

FRED. M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

JANUARY 10, 1880.

APPENDIX.

DONATIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS.

	<i>Vols.</i>	<i>Pph.</i>		<i>Vols.</i>	<i>Pph.</i>
Adreon, E. L., City Auditor, St. Louis . . . . .	....	25	Argentine Republic, through Smithsonian Institute . .	1	....
American Association for the Advancement of Science .	1	....	Armstrong, Hon. D. H. . . .	2	....
American Colonization So- ciety, W. Coppinger, Sec'y	2	44	Bennett, C. W., Syracuse, N. Y. . . . .	....	1
American Pharmaceutical As- sociation, Prof. John W. Maisch, Sec'y	1	....	Berlin Stadt-Magistrats-Amt.	9	6
American Society Civil Engi- neers . . . . .	....	1	Borck, Dr. Edw., St. Louis .	1	2
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Mo., M. W. Gr. Lodge	10	....	Boston Public Library . . .	....	7
			Brazilian Government, per Smithsonian Institute . .	3	....
			Broadwell, J. C., Clerk House Delegates, St. Louis . . .	4	24
			Brookline (Mass.) Public Li- brary	1

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Buffalo (N. Y.) Young Men's Association	1	Illinois, by Geo. H. Harlow, Secretary of State	1
Cambridge (Mass.) Industrial Aid Society	1	....	Independent Order of Odd Fellows, R. W. Gr. Lodge .	2	2
Caulfield, R., Cork, Ireland .	1	....	Iowa Comm'r of Railroads .	1	....
Cavaleri, M., Milan, Italy . .	1	....	Isham & Lincoln, Chicago . .	...	5
Chandler, J., Titusville, Pa. .	1	....	Ittner, Hon. Anthony . . .	5	....
Childs, Mrs. C. F.	31	....	Ivory, W. W.	1	....
Cincinnati Public Library . .	3	11	Jacksonville (Ill.) Library .	....	1
Clardy, Hon. Martin L., M. C.	1	....	Jewett, Elliott C.	5	1
Cleveland (O.) Public School Library	1	....	Jones, G. I.	1	....
Cobden Club, London	3	....	Jones, R. W.	1	....
Concordia College, St. Louis .	1	....	Kansas State University . .	....	1
Crunden, F. M.	2	3	Kennard, Dr. Thos. . . . .	....	2
Darby, Walter H.	9	...	Killebrew, J. B., A.M., Commissioner of Agriculture, Tenn. . . . .	....	1
Detroit Public Library	1	....	King, Moses	1	3
Detroit Board of Education .	....	1	Kingston (N. Y.) School Board	....	1
Dieckenga, J. E.	2	....	Knox, Jno. J., U. S. Comptroller of the Currency . .	....	1
Dreyfuss, Arthur . . . . .	....	3	Lancaster (Mass.) Library .	....	1
Dühring, Hy. L.	4	....	Lawrence (Mass.) Library .	....	2
Dyer, R. A. . . . .	....	2	Leeds (Eng.) Public Library	....	1
Edgell, S. M.	9	....	Lowell (Mass.) Public Library	....	1
Elliott, R. S. . . . .	....	1	Lucas, Hon. John, M. P., Sydney, N. S. W.	2	....
Fall River (Mass.) City . . .	....	1	Lynn (Mass.) Public Library .	....	1
Ferry, D. M. & Co., Detroit .	....	5	McAnnally, Prof. D. R. . . .	....	1
Fischer, Max. H.	5	17	McBride, G. . . . .	....	1
Flügel, Dr. Felix, Leipzig . .	1	....	Massachusetts State Library .	....	1
Forbes, Dr. I. . . . .	....	327	Missouri Insurance Department, W. S. Relfe, Supt. . .	1	....
Francis, C. W., Health Commissioner, St. Louis . . . .	....	9	Missouri Railroad Comm'r. .	...	3
Franklin Fire Insurance Company, Philadelphia	1	....	Missouri State University . .	1	2
Garinger, Jos.	11	....	Missouri Weather Service . .	....	1
Glasgow (Scotland) University	1	....	Monell, J. . . . .	....	1
Goodchap, Chas. A., Commissioner for R. W., N. S. Wales	3	....	Morgan, Geo. H. . . . .	....	1
Hall, Hy. . . . .	....	1	Morgan, H. H.	12	42
Hamilton College, O. . . . .	....	1	Moore, Hon. J. E., . . . . .	....	8
Harris, Dr. Wm. T.	13	74	Morell, A. L.	1	2
Hartford (Conn.) Library . .	....	1	Morris, W. A. . . . .	....	1
Harvard College . . . . .	....	2	Mudge, Prof. B. F., Topeka .	....	1
Heidelberg Universität . . .	....	9	Nadeau, P. E.	2	....
Hight, Chas. A.	1	....	New Bedford Library . . . .	....	1
Hill, Dr. Robert J.	2	....	Newton (Mass.) Free Library	....	1
Hoe, R., & Co., N. Y.	2	10	New Jersey Railroad Commissioner . . . . .	....	11
Homes, F. B.	7	....	New Jersey State Board of Health, Dr. E. M. Hunt, Sec'y	2	....
Howgate, Capt. Hy. W., Washington . . . . .	....	1	New South Wales, Council of Education	11	1
Hunt, W. S., Supt. U. S. Railway Mail Service	1	....	New York Astor Library . .	....	1
Hudson, Hon. N. C.	4	15	New York & Brooklyn Bridge Co.	6
Humphreys, General A. A. . .	1			
Illinois Commissioner of Railroads	2			

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New York Mercantile Library	1		St. Louis School of Design	1	
New York State Library	4	5	St. Louis University	1
Nipher, Prof. Francis E.	4		Saline Fair Association.	1	
Ohio Agricultural Department, Jno. K. Kippart, Sec'y	7	....	San Francisco Mercantile Library	2	
Ohio Bureau of Labor Statistics, H. J. Walls, Comm'r.	2	....	Schnake, Friedr.	1	
Ottoby, Dr. Louis	2	....	Seaver, F. L.	1	
Overstolz, Hon. Hy.	20	26	Selwyn, Prof. A. C. R., Geological Survey, Canada	2	....
Paine, M.	1	....	Smithsonian Institute	4	....
Paris Exposition, per Hon. Jno. Eaton, Comm'r. Education	8	1	Soldan, F. J.	1	....
Parvin, T. S., Iowa City	1	....	Soldan, L. F.	1	1
Pattison, E. W.	2		Spinzig, Dr. C.	1	1
Peabody Institute Library, Baltimore	1		Stearns, Robt. C.	1	1
Peabody Museum, Cambridge	2		Stuttgart Stadt - Magistrats-Amt.	4	
Philadelphia Mercantile Library	1	1	Todd, Dr. Chas. A.	1	
Phoenix Chair Company	1	....	Treat, Hon. Samuel	1	....
Pope Manufacturing Company	1	....	Tufts College	1	
Portland (Oregon) Library	1	....	Turner, Chas. H.	1	....
Portuguese Government, per Smithsonian Institute	1	....	U. S. Commissioner of Agriculture	3	....
Preuss. Ministerium der geistlichen, Unterrichts und Medizinal-Angelegen, heiten, Berlin	5	....	U. S. Bureau of Education, Hon. Jno. Eaton, Comm'r	2	....
Providence (R. I.) Department of Health, E. M. Snow, M.D., Snpt.	11		U. S. Chief of Engineers, Gen. A. A. Humphreys	4	2
Providence (R. I.) Public Library	1		U. S. Bureau of Statistics	3	4
Providence Tool Company	5		U. S. Geological Survey	1	6
Pulsifer, W. H.	1	....	U. S. Commissioner of Indian Affairs	10	....
Quincy (Mass.) Public Library	1		U. S. Life-Saving Service	1	....
Raynor, W. E., Secretary City Council, St. Louis	2	25	U. S. Library of Congress	1	
Rhode Island Railroad Department, H. Staples	7		U. S. Military Academy	1	
Rhode Island State Board of Health	1	....	U. S. Patent Office	5	....
Richeson, Col. Thos.	1	2	U. S. Signal Service	1	....
Roesler, F. E.	3	1	U. S. Surgeon-General's Office	1	....
Rosenstengel, Wm. H.	33	10	U. S. Department of the Interior	218	11
Rutger Scientific School, New Brunswick, N. J.	1		U. S. Department of War	42	2
St. Louis Board of Health	2		U. S. Department of the Navy	11	15
St. Louis City Government, per Mayor Overstolz	22	....	U. S. Department of State	1	....
St. Louis City Government, per Register Walsh	65	....	U. S. Department of the Treasury	7	....
St. Louis Police Department, Geo. Gavin, Sec'y	1	2	Unknown	4	1
			Vermont State Library	13	....
			Virginia State University	2	
			Vogel, Chas. F., Clerk Circuit Court	3	....
			Wallis, Alb., Upsala, Sweden	2	
			Washingtonian Home, Chicago	1	
			Washington University, St. Louis	1	
			Waterhouse, Prof. S.	3	
			Watertown (Mass.) Free Public Library	1	

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Webber, Hon. Samuel, State Fish-Commissioner, N. H.	1		Worcester (Mass.) Free Institute	1	
Weigel, Eug., Park Commissioner, St. Louis	1		Wright, Carroll D., Massachusetts Bureau Labor Statistics	4	....
Wilson, Geo. J.	1		Yale College	1	
Winchell, Prof. N. H., Minneapolis	8		Young Scientist	1	
Worcester (Mass.) Free Library	1		Total	624	916

In addition to the foregoing, the following newspapers and periodicals have been sent to the Library by the publishers : —

NEWSPAPERS — DAILY.

Anzeiger des Westens.	St. Louis Times-Journal.
Lynchburg Virginian.	Volksstimme des Westens.
St. Louis Post-Dispatch.	Westliche Post.
St. Louis Republican.	

NEWSPAPERS — WEEKLY.

American Manufactnrer.	Le Patriote.
Christian Register.	People's Tribune, Jefferson City.
El Comercio del Valle.	St. Louis Commercial Gazette.
Colman's Rural World.	St. Louis Miller.
Cumberland Presbyterian.	St. Louis Texan.
Florida Agriculturist.	Weekly Occident.
Music Trade Review.	Western Watchman.
New Jerusalem Messenger.	

MONTHLIES.

American Poultry Journal.	Unitarian Review.
Kunkel's Musical Review.	Voice of Masonry.
St. Louis Magazine.	Western Insurance Review.
Truth, The	

BI-MONTHLIES AND QUARTERLIES.

Journal of Speculative Philosophy.	Western, The
Southern Law Review.	

LIFE MEMBERS

Added to Public School Library in 1879.

Alewel, A. H.	Barnes, E. C.	Blotvogel, William
Alexander, A. W.	Bates, Annie W.	Blum, Philip
Alt, George	Beck, Joseph	Boettger, Otto
Altenbaumer, George	Becker, H. W.	Bouton, William
Angelbeck, Charles	Bergt, Ferdinand	Branch, Charles
Archer, Fanny	Berthold, Hy.	Brinkman, J. A.
Armstrong, S. T.	Bignall, Ernest	Brinkmeyer, W. N.
Askemeyer, Hy.	Bird, A. C.	Brown, Agnes S.
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Brust, Theresa	Glover, John M.	Leisse, Tiny
Butterweck, O. C.	Goeser, Frank	Lewis, Curtis
Camien, Hy.	Goodman, Herman	Loewenstein, Meyer
Carpenter, George O., Jr.	Gratz, Benjamin, Jr.	Losse, J. W.
Cary, Michael	Green, Menko E.	Lucas, F. A.
Case, Mary Lee	Greene, C. D., Jr.	Luedinghaus, John H.
Cline, Frederick A.	Greene, George C.	Lutz, Dr. F. J.
Coleman, C. A.	Grossenheider, Richard	McCaffrey, Joseph
Colville, David F.	Hager, August	McCann, John J.
Comans, Charles	Haney, James	McCauley, Maggie
Conway, Nellie	Hanpeter, Edward	McClintock, Chester
Corrigan, J. J.	Hanstetter, Hy. J.	McClure, Mary
Crane, Hattie M.	Harmon, Daniel	McClure, Sallie
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Davidson, Grace L.	Hebert, Genevieve	Madeira, Walter C.
Davidson, Anna	Hebert, Joseph L.	Maginn, James C.
Davis, Bessie	Heitzeberg, Henrietta	Mahoney, William
Dieckmann, Otto	Hellmann, Tillie	Marcus, Fred.
Diehlschneider, Anna	Hencke, Richard	Mardorf, Herm.
Dieringer, Emil	Hess, Oliver	Marent, Herm.
Dobbins, Thomas	Heyne, Hy.	Margenau, F. W.
Docter, August E.	Heytmann, Andrew	Marks, Sarah
Dodd, William S.	Hodlicka, William	Marshall, William C.
Doering, Benjamin	Hofman, Clem.	Martin, Ida M.
Doering, Frederick	Holland, Dr. T. E.	Martin, Sophia T.
Dooley, Frank X.	Holton, F. W.	Matthews, Anna L.
Douglas, E. W.	How, James F.	Mehl, Henry
Duff, Maggie	Huhn, August	Meierand, August
Eaton, Mrs. Lucien	Hutton, J. W.	Meinberg, Miss A. A.
Eckert, George	Hyatt, Christine S.	Merkel, William
Egan, Frank	Hynson, Nettie	Meysenburg, Edward A.
Elberg, John	Isenhuth, Hy. E.	Minke, Hermann
Endres, Mrs. Elise	Jessup, Clara G.	Mlizko, Antoinette
Eschbacher, John F.	Joy, Hettie M.	Morton, Isaac W.
Ewald, Howard J.	Kaiser, August	Morton, William D.
Faulkner, James D.	Karnatz, Frank	Moses, Dr. Gratz A.
Fehr, v. d., Frank	Kassing, Louis	Nagel, Henry
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Flottmann, William	Keogh, Annie	Orr, William George
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Ford, Mary E.	Knapp, Dr. F. H.	Peat, Joseph
Ford, Dr. William H.	Koch, Julius E.	Pluemer, Hermann
Fox, Edward J.	Koch, Pauline S.	Poetting, Henry
Freeman, Claude	Kolbenheyer, Dr. Fred.	Pollman, Mrs. Henry
French, James	Kolbenheyer, Fred.	Pothoff, Mary
Frey, C. C.	Kremming, William	Procter, Ella G.
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Geiger, Gust.	Lackland, Mary	Rauschenbach, Robert
Gehrunge, Dr. Eugene	Lang, Joseph	Redemeier, William H.
Gent, Frederick	Lawson, John H.	Reid, Joseph E.
Gerhard, W. Paul	Leach, Louis	Rhodes, Frank
Gillum, H. V.	Learned, Rev. John C.	Robbins, E. C.
Gilwee, John	Le Bourgeois, J. C.	Roberts, Frank W. J.

Robinson, James
Roesch Anton
Roseman, Frank
Rosenthal, Minnie
Roskilly, Mrs. J. H.
Rudolph, W. F.
Rueweler, Henry
St. John, Eddie
Sanfeliz, Bernardino
Schaum, L. C.
Scheffer, Louise
Schmidt, Oscar
Schneider, John
Schnitker, Henry
Schwartz, Fritz
Scott, Thomas
Seavers, C. W.
Seckinger, F. M.
Seiffarth, Alex.
Semple, William
Sheridan, Joseph
Shields, Lizzie
Shields, Richard
Shrewsbury, Darwin

Simmons, E. C.
Skaer, Henry
Smith, D. H.
Smith, J. J.
Sneider, Valentine
Snowden, Robert A.
Somes, Charles A.
Stachlin, Christ.
Stahl, David
Stahmann, Christ.
Steer, Dr. Justin
Stern, Meyer
Stevens, Mrs. Emma
Stockstrom, E. H.
Stoffregen, Louis
Straub, W. L.
Stuever, Tony
Surbled, William M.
Tanner, Horace
Taylor, William
Thomas, John H.
Thornton, L. C.
Trafton, L. B.
Turner, J. L.

Vogler, John
Vogt, Geo. M.
Volmer, Gustav
Vossler, John W.
Wade, Capt. R. B.
Wagner, Henry
Wagner, Hugh K.
Walsh, James
Walsh, J. J.
Wardrop, Frances
Weakly, Henry
Weiss, Adele
Wellman, F. O.
Whitehill, Ingham
Whitman, Emma
Widney, Dr. C. T.
Wiese, Fred.
Williams, Henry
Winter, John
Woestendieck, W.
Wollbrink, William
Wulze, Louise
Young, Annie M.

REPORT OF ACTUARY.

To the Honorable Board of Managers of the St. Louis Public School Library.

Your actuary respectfully presents his reports for the year ending December 31, 1879 : —

1. GENERAL FUND — RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES for the year 1879.

2. BOOK FUND — RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES for the year 1879.

3. HISTORICAL TABLES OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES from the beginning of the Library, November, 1865, to December 31, 1879.

4. RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, November, 1865, to December 31, 1879.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR 1879.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts.

Life-memberships	\$748 00
Partial payments on life-membership	12 50
Temporary memberships	1,940 00
Fines	770 72
Interest and discount	72
School Board appropriations	3,387 66
Henry Ames fund	4,500 00
Bills payable	110 30
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Total receipts	\$11,469 90
Balance in treasury January 1, 1879	1,390 00
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Total	\$12,859 90

Expenditures.

Stationery and blanks		\$459 10
Furniture and fixtures		74 65
Postage		50 30
Expense		436 19
Advertising and printing		81 95
Salaries		7,654 80
Insurance		337 50
Bills payable		110 30
Book fund		1,008 00
J. Philip Krieger, Jr., treasurer		1,587 65
Total expenditures		\$11,800 44
Contingent fund overdrawn January 1, 1879	\$29 50	
“ “ balance December 31, 1879	3 63 —	33 13
Balance in treasury December 31, 1879		1,026 33
Total		\$12,859 90

BOOK FUND.

Receipts.

Lost books paid for	\$38 85
Collection of duplicates, issues, fines, etc.	649 85
Catalogues sold	4 05
Periodicals sold	5 55
Binding damaged and paid for	3 35
Medical Society	94 00
School Board appropriations	4,520 34
Public School Library Bulletin	161 70
General fund	1,008 00
Cash donations	10 00
Interest and discount	30
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Total receipts	\$6,495 99
Contingent fund overdrawn, December 31, 1879	8 88
Balance in treasury January 1, 1879	477 07
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Total	\$6,981 94

Expenditures.

Books	\$2,561 28
Collection of duplicates	353 64
Periodicals	648 84
Binding	585 48
Catalogues	139 90
Public School Library Bulletin	318 62
J. Philip Kreiger, Jr., treasurer	420 35
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Total expenditures	\$5,028 11
Contingent fund overdrawn, January 1, 1879	24 41
Balance in treasury December 31, 1879	1,929 42
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Total	\$6,981 94

HISTORICAL TABLE.
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE LIBRARY, NOVEMBER, 1865, TO DECEMBER 31, 1879.

GENERAL FUND.											
<i>Receipts.</i>	<i>Life-Memberships.</i>	<i>Partial Payments on Life-Memberships.</i>	<i>Temporary Memberships.</i>	<i>Fines.</i>	<i>Interest & Discount.</i>	<i>Exhibitions and Lectures.</i>	<i>Cash Donations.</i>	<i>Rent.</i>	<i>Stationery.</i>	<i>Henry Ames Fund and School Board Appropriations.</i>	<i>Total General Fund.</i>
November, 1865-December 31, 1866 (14 months)	\$5,832 00	.....	\$2,611 50	\$169 20	....	\$4,398 15	\$1,730 50	.....	.....	.....	\$14,741 35
January 1, 1867-April 30, 1868 (16 months) . .	966 00	.....	4,112 00	408 55	....	4,720 65	395 00	.....	.....	.....	10,602 20
May 1, 1868-May 1, 1869	401 00	.....	3,032 50	253 80	....	569 90	.....	\$25 00	.....	.....	4,282 20
May 1, 1869-May 1, 1870	508 00	.....	2,906 00	216 35	....	108 75	50	.....	.....	\$7,915 60	11,655 20
May 1, 1870-May 1, 1871	626 00	.....	3,249 00	253 65	....	.....	343 40	.....	.....	7,426 00	11,898 05
May 1, 1871-May 1, 1872	529 00	.....	4,421 50	326 20	....	1,068 65	9 55	.....	.....	5,900 00	12,254 90
May 1, 1872-May 1, 1873	508 00	.....	4,308 00	494 40	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,900 00	11,210 40
May 1, 1873-May 1, 1874	795 00	.....	3,508 00	481 25	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,900 00	10,684 25
May 1, 1874-May 1, 1875	864 00	.....	3,129 00	440 25	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,900 00	10,333 25
May 1, 1875-May 1, 1876	380 00	.....	2,733 00	262 20	....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	5,900 00	9,290 20
May 1, 1876-December 31, 1876 (8 months)	214 00	.....	1,606 00	233 10	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,000 00	6,033 10
January 1, 1877-December 31, 1877	404 00	.....	2,225 00	548 44	....	.....	.....	.....	\$1 70	5,900 00	9,079 14
January 1, 1878-December 31, 1878	642 00	.....	2,120 00	648 91	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,400 00	10,810 91
January 1, 1879-December 31, 1879	748 00	\$12 50	1,940 00	770 72	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,879 66	10,351 60
	\$13,417 00	\$12 50	\$41,901 50	\$5,507 02	72	\$10,866 10	\$2,493 95	\$25 00	\$1 70	\$69,021 26	\$143,246 75

HISTORICAL TABLE.— Continued.
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE LIBRARY, NOVEMBER, 1865, TO DECEMBER 31, 1879.

BOOK FUND.

Receipts.	School Board Appropriations for Books, Periodicals, Binding, etc.	Collection of Duplicates.	Periodicals, Paper Sold, etc.	Books Lost and Paid for.	Books Sold, etc.	Catalogues Sold.	Binding.	Medical Society.	Cash Donations.	Interest & Discount.	Public School Library Bulletin.	Total Book Fund.	Total General Fund.	Total.
Nov., 1865-Dec. 31, 1866 (14 months)				\$26 80		\$59 00						\$85 80	\$14,741 35	\$14,827 15
Jan. 1, 1867-Apr. 30, 1868 (16 months)	\$5,000 00		\$110 90	37 05	\$41 65	70 00						5,259 60	10,602 20	15,861 80
May 1, 1868-May 1, 1869			24 80	23 60		4 50						56 90	4,282 20	4,339 10
May 1, 1869-May 1, 1870			7 50	19 50								27 00	11,655 20	11,682 20
May 1, 1870-May 1, 1871			30 85	26 25		68 70						125 80	11,898 05	12,023 85
May 1, 1871-May 1, 1872		337 00	22 70	23 00		88 90						471 60	12,254 90	12,726 50
May 1, 1872-May 1, 1873		527 60	26 65	39 60		75 45						669 30	11,210 40	11,879 70
May 1, 1873-May 1, 1874		683 90	8 65	42 35		59 00						793 90	10,684 25	11,478 15
May 1, 1874-May 1, 1875	4,500 00	478 25	12 50	37 15		40 00						5,067 90	10,333 25	15,401 14
May 1, 1875-May 1, 1876	6,500 00	473 45	137 80	25 25		14 50	\$13 15					7,164 15	9,290 20	16,454 35
May 1, 1876-Dec. 31, 1876 (8 months)	4,000 00	371 25		25 30		17 50	1 05					4,415 10	6,053 10	10,468 20
Jan. 1, 1877-Dec. 31, 1877	6,000 00	579 50	5 35	30 60			70	\$96 00				6,712 15	9,079 14	15,791 28
Jan. 1, 1878-Dec. 31, 1878	4,500 00	515 55	24 00	28 25	50		11 81	75 00				5,155 11	10,810 91	15,966 02
Jan. 1, 1879-Dec. 31, 1879	5,528 34	649 85	5 55	38 85		4 05	3 35	94 00	\$10 00	30	\$161 70	6,495 99	10,351 60	16,847 59
	\$36,028 34	\$4,616 35	\$417 25	\$423 55	\$42 15	\$505 60	\$30 06	\$265 00	\$10 00	30	\$161 70	\$42,500 30	\$143,246 75	\$185,747 05

HISTORICAL TABLE. — Continued.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE LIBRARY, NOVEMBER, 1865, TO DECEMBER 31, 1879.

GENERAL FUND.

<i>Expenditures.</i>	<i>Salaries.</i>	<i>Expenses.</i>	<i>Postage.</i>	<i>Stationery and Blank Books.</i>	<i>Printing and Advertising.</i>	<i>Furniture and Fixtures.</i>	<i>Insurance.</i>	<i>Exhibitions and Lectures.</i>	<i>Interest & Discount.</i>	<i>Fuel and Light.</i>	<i>Taxes.</i>	<i>Profit and Loss.</i>	<i>Inventory.</i>	<i>J. Ph. Krieger, Jr., Treasurer.</i>	<i>Total General Fund.</i>
Nov., 1865-Dec. 31, 1866 (14 months)	\$2,374 58	\$1,559 04	\$65 54	\$544 50	\$276 70	\$2,241 52	\$4 00	\$972 40	\$6 40	\$279 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$8,324 53
Jan. 1, 1867-April 30, 1868 (16 months)	3,604 67	1,643 67	59 46	269 10	68 35	186 00	57 25	4,185 85	79 47	1,071 15	.....	\$98 30	.....	.....	11,323 27
May 1, 1868-April 30, 1869	2,711 25	547 76	31 57	74 40	.....	.....	.....	694 15	.....	98 05	\$27 50	.....	.....	.....	4,184 68
May 1, 1869-April 30, 1870	3,910 18	420 65	24 75	406 10	190 75	87 00	.....	621 60	4 24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,665 27
May 1, 1870-April 30, 1871	4,249 15	239 65	55 83	165 55	234 60	.....	.....	.....	23 59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,968 37
May 1, 1871-April 30, 1872	4,765 95	281 65	54 79	485 11	177 75	.....	.....	1,111 50	16 26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,893 01
May 1, 1872-April 30, 1873	6,096 15	221 50	31 74	243 75	63 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,656 54
May 1, 1873-April 30, 1874	7,057 10	173 45	32 62	304 10	162 25	38 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,767 52
May 1, 1874-April 30, 1875	8,986 80	428 75	18 40	447 77	139 83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,021 55
May 1, 1875-April 30, 1876	8,016 80	814 91	16 50	494 76	168 50	117 00	.....	.....	4 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,663 02
May 1, 1876-Dec. 31, 1876 (8 months)	5,073 90	296 34	13 40	233 05	71 00	39 49	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,927 18
Jan. 1, 1877-Dec. 31, 1877	7,011 85	399 49	52 45	323 46	31 40	249 51	217 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 65	.....	.....	8,294 31
Jan. 1, 1878-Dec. 31, 1878	7,456 50	359 24	69 10	314 71	45 55	1,510 31	312 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$300 00	.....	10,367 91
Jan. 1, 1879-Dec. 31, 1879	7,654 80	436 19	50 30	459 10	81 95	74 65	337 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,587 65	10,682 14
	\$78,999 68	\$7,822 29	\$576 45	\$1,765 46	\$1,712 03	\$4,543 48	\$1,128 75	\$7,585 50	\$134 51	\$1,449 05	\$27 50	\$106 95	\$300 00	\$1,587 65	\$110,739 30

HISTORICAL TABLE. — *Continued.*

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE LIBRARY, NOVEMBER, 1865, TO DECEMBER 31, 1879.

BOOK FUND.

<i>Expenditures.</i>	<i>Inventory.</i>	<i>Books.</i>	<i>Periodicals.</i>	<i>Binding.</i>	<i>Books for Collection of Duplicates.</i>	<i>Catalogues.</i>	<i>J. Ph. Krieger, Jr., Treasurer.</i>	<i>Public School Library Bulletin.</i>	<i>Total Book Fund.</i>	<i>Total General Fund.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Nov., 1865 - Dec 31, 1866 (14 months).	\$5,760 18	\$152 43	\$103 20	.....	\$345 00	.....	.....	\$6,450 81	\$8,324 53	\$14,775 34
January 1, 1867-April 30, 1868 (16 months)	2,610 96	1,173 19	653 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,438 05	11,323 27	15,761 32
May 1, 1868-April 30, 1869	118 15	323 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	441 15	4,184 68	4,625 83
May 1, 1869-April 30, 1870	2,445 64	590 25	1,418 80	.....	1,079 80	.....	.....	5,534 49	5,665 27	11,199 76
May 1, 1870-April 30, 1871	2,726 19	602 24	909 10	.....	2,206 75	.....	.....	6,444 28	4,968 37	11,412 65
May 1, 1871-April 30, 1872	2,771 21	991 38	485 23	\$753 07	.....	.....	.....	5,000 89	6,893 01	11,893 90
May 1, 1872-April 30, 1873	3,134 01	566 80	1,109 09	419 10	368 00	.....	.....	5,597 00	6,656 54	12,253 54
May 1, 1873-April 30, 1874	1,824 76	1,240 64	1,210 75	426 14	.....	.....	.....	4,702 29	7,767 52	12,469 81
May 1, 1874-April 30, 1875	2,667 13	1,554 50	1,025 45	410 82	28 50	.....	.....	5,686 40	10,021 55	15,707 95
May 1, 1875-April 30, 1876	2,156 54	1,555 55	1,546 37	492 69	176 25	.....	.....	5,927 40	9,663 02	15,590 42
May 1, 1876-December 31, 1876 (8 months)	1,001 33	52 06	1,258 45	105 71	.....	.....	.....	2,417 55	5,927 18	8,344 73
Jan. 1, 1877-Dec. 31, 1877	\$426 92	5,264 95	1,274 90	1,539 14	239 66	646 00	.....	.....	9,391 57	8,294 31	17,685 88
Jan. 1, 1878-Dec. 31, 1878	2,283 41	943 17	842 34	257 44	670 90	.....	.....	4,997 26	10,367 91	15,365 17
Jan. 1, 1879-Dec. 31, 1879	2,561 28	648 84	585 48	353 64	139 90	\$420 35	\$318 62	5,028 11	10,682 14	15,710 25
	\$426 92	\$37,325 74	\$11,668 95	\$12,777 30	\$3,458 27	\$5,661 10	\$420 35	\$318 62	\$72,057 25	\$110,739 30	\$182,796 55

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, NOVEMBER, 1865, TO DECEMBER 31, 1879.

Receipts.

Life-memberships	\$13,417 00
Partial payments on life-memberships	12 50
Temporary memberships	41,901 50
Fines	5,507 02
Interest and discount	1 02
Exhibitions and lectures	10,866 10
Cash donations	2,503 95
Rent	25 00
Stationery and blanks	1 70
Henry Ames fund and School Board appropriations	105,049 60
Collections and duplicates	4,616 35
Periodicals and newspapers	417 25
Books lost and paid for	423 55
Books sold	42 15
Catalogues sold	505 60
Binding damaged and paid for	30 06
Medical Society, paid for memberships	265 00
Public School Library Bulletin	161 70
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Total expenditures	\$185,747 05
Book contingent fund overdrawn, December 31, 1879	8 88
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	\$185,755 93

Expenditures.

Salaries	\$78,999 68
Expenses	7,822 29
Postage	576 45
Stationery and blank-books	4,765 46
Printing and advertising	1,712 03
Furniture and fixtures	4,543 48
Insurance	1,128 75
Exhibitions and lectures	7,585 50
Interest and discount	134 51
Fuel and light	1,449 05
Taxes	27 50
Profit and loss	106 95
Inventory	726 92
J. Ph. Krieger, Jr., treasurer	2,008 00
Books	37,325 74
Periodicals	11,668 95
Binding	12,777 30
Collection of duplicates	3,458 27
Catalogues	5,661 10
Public School Library Bulletin	318 62
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Amount forward, \$182,796 55

Balances, December 31, 1879.

	Amount forward,	\$182,796 55
General fund	\$1,026 33	
Book fund	1,929 42	
Book contingent fund	3 63 —	\$2,959 38
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		\$185,755 93

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRED. J. SOLDAN,
Actuary.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARY, }
ST. LOUIS, January 10, 1880. }

To the Honorable Board of Managers St. Louis Public School Library.

The undersigned, secretary and treasurer of “The Board of President and Directors of St. Louis Public Schools,” said Board being the depository of the funds of the Public School Library, respectfully reports : —

GENERAL FUND.

Balance in treasury October 1, 1879	\$ 59
Amount deposited by the secretary of the Board of Public Schools . . .	2,500 00
Amount deposited by the actuary of the Board of Managers	790 90
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Total	\$3,291 49
Amount paid out on warrants	2,259 16
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Balance in treasury	\$1,032 33

BOOK FUND.

Balance in treasury October 1, 1879	\$775 77
Amount deposited by the secretary of the Board of Public Schools . . .	2,500 00
Amount deposited by the actuary of the Board of Managers	337 85
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Total	\$3,613 62
Amount paid out on warrants	1,684 20
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Balance in treasury	\$1,929 42

Respectfully submitted.

MILTON H. WASH,
Secretary and Treasurer.